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24 November 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 24 November 1980

The Director was in the chair. []

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The Director commended the support given him by NFAC offices during his briefings of President-Elect Reagan on 19 and 20 November. He added the sessions went well, were relaxed and informal. []

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The Director reported that he was only able to get through half of his briefing to the Foreign Policy Advisory Board on 21 November because of numerous questions; he is not sure if he will be recalled to complete the briefing. The Director thought the questions at the session were good and constructive. If there is another briefing for the Board, the Director suggested we should prepare more on China, particularly the China--Vietnam--Kampuchea situation. The briefing should focus on near-term situations since we are trying to inform the incoming Administration of events that could occur between January through March 1981. The Director highlighted topics to be refined and covered and said he would be meeting later with Lehman and [] See attached for briefing subjects. []

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Clarke said that George Bush told [] on 22 November that a presentation of a series of papers on the intelligence process to the President-Elect would be very useful. []

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The Director asked Lehman to arrange a meeting with Richard Allen so that he and Lehman could go over with Allen the agenda and format for the next briefings for President-Elect Reagan. []

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The Director met with [] on 20 November and was told that the transition team would provide by today, a list of topics it is interested in with the names of those team members covering the specific topics. The Director stressed the need for protection of sources and methods and said that he did not want large numbers of transition team members being involved in things they did not have a need to know. [] agreed to work []

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The Director discussed the papers prepared for submission to the transition team. He said those prepared on organization and function were approved but said he was concerned that in some cases other papers were offering new policy and were circumventions of established channels such as the Executive Committee. The Director said he was not trying to stifle initiative, but he wanted to make sure that all presentations on a given question were noted and discussed. Mr. Carlucci recommended that before the papers are submitted to the transition team, all morning meeting attendees should read them and meet on 26 November. [redacted]

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The Director asked McMahon to prepare some statistics on covert action [redacted] because the transition team is concerned the Agency is not doing enough. The Director also asked McMahon for statistics showing the number of agents last year and this year [redacted]

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The Director asked Clarke for some papers on the quality of analysis and asked whether it would be useful to give the transition team a copy of the Iran postmortem done by [redacted]. Clarke said the paper was good, but quite long; the Director said he would talk to Clarke about this later. [redacted]

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The Director mentioned that Senator Goldwater issued a statement last week saying leaks have led to agents' deaths. The Director thought he should issue a statement refuting this. Mr. Carlucci argued against this saying we can't be sure that agents with whom we have not done business in awhile are still alive. The Director said he was concerned that agents who read Goldwater's statement would distance themselves from the Agency. After further discussion, the Director said he would not press his point but thought it had merit. [redacted]

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In response to the Director's question about using a sensitive report

[redacted] in the PDB, McMahon said it would be appropriate. [redacted]

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The Director noted he will be out of town until 29 November. [redacted]

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Lehman said Dick Kerr was on the West Coast and was acting as an intelligence support officer to the President-Elect. [redacted]

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Fitzwater commented on a trend of demonstrations against Agency recruiters on college campuses. [REDACTED] 25X1

Clarke reported the session of the Military Economic Advisory Panel went well. [REDACTED] 25X1

Hitz said the Appropriations Conference is scheduled for 2 December. [REDACTED] 25X1

Mr. Carlucci said he had heard the Continuing Resolution (unspecified) said the Commission on Executive Salaries cannot report until 1982. Hitz will check. [REDACTED] 25X1

Silver said that the transition team cannot be given any material that is protected by the Privacy Act. This includes personnel files and letters of appeal written by employees who were rified. It was noted that this material is not being assembled for the transition team, but is for the DCI's background info. [REDACTED] 25X1

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Clarke announced Bob Gates is the new NIO/USSR-EE, and the Director expressed appreciation for his service as EA/DCI. [REDACTED] 25X1

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